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For:

STRIP OF FASTENERS FOR A FASTENING APPARATUS WITH LOADING DEVICE INTENDED

TO TAKE THE STRIP, THE APPARATUS AND THE LOADING DEVICE

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

No additional fee is required.

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Also attached: Replacement Figure 1

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